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Serial No. 09/840,754	Filing Date April 23, 2001	Examiner K. Nguyen	Case No. 659/1682 (K-C 15,442)
Inventory No. Topolkaraev et al.	Group Art Unit 1774		
Title of Invention BIODEGRADABLE FILMS HAVING ENHANCED DUCTILITY AND BREATHABILITY			

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Transmitted herewith is a (1) Petition and Fee for Extension of Time (37 CFR 1.136(a)) (in duplicate) with \$936 fee; (2) Request for Continued Examination (37 CFR 1.114 (in duplicate)) with \$750 fee; (3) Preliminary Amendment; (4) PTO Transmittal letter (in duplicate).

Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR § 1.27 has been established by verified statement previously submitted.

Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.

Petition for a three month extension of time.

No additional fee is required.

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

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I hereby petition under 37 CFR § 1.136(a) for any extension of time required to ensure that this paper is timely filed. Please charge any associated fees which have not otherwise been paid to Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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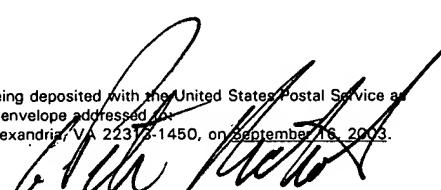
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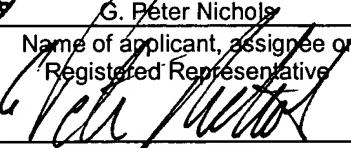
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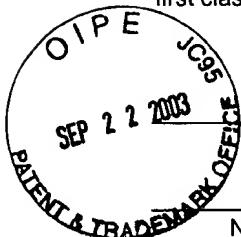
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In re Application of:)	
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Serial No.: 09/840,754)	Examiner: Nguyen, K.
Filing Date: April 23, 2001)	Group Art Unit No.: 1774
For BIODEGRADABLE FILMS HAVING ENHANCED DUCTILITY AND BREATHABILITY)	

PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (37 CFR § 1.136(a))

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

This is a petition for an extension of the time to respond to the outstanding Office Action dated March 17, 2003 for a period of three month(s) to and including September 17, 2003.

Applicant:

claims small entity status. See 37 C.F.R. §1.27.

is other than small entity

<u>Extension Months</u>	<u>Other Than Small Entity</u>	<u>Small Entity</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> One Month	\$110.00	\$55.00
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Fee Payment

Attached is a check for **\$930.00** for the Petition fee.

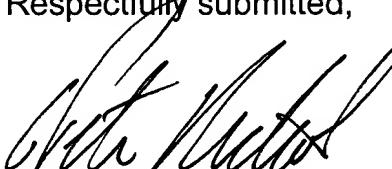
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Respectfully submitted,

Dated: September 16, 2003


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